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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

In the matter of the Application of the Golden State Water Company (U133W) for an order authorizing it to increase rates for water service by \$58,053,200 or 21.4% in 2013, by \$8,926,200 or 2.7% in 2014; and by \$10,819,600 or 3.2% in 2015.

Application 11-07-017  
(Filed July 21, 2011)

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING SCHEDULING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION HEARINGS**

Golden State Water Company (Golden State) filed Application 11-07-017, a general rate case request to increase rates for water service in each of the ratemaking areas in Regions 1, 2 and 3 of its service territory and for General Office for the period from January 2013 through December 2015. This ruling establishes the dates, time, and locations for public participation hearings in this proceeding.

Golden State serves communities in 10 counties, and the Commission has received many requests from Golden State customers to hold public participation hearings in their communities. Public participation hearings will be held in the service areas listed below at the locations, dates, and times indicated.

**Arden Cordova**

**November 28, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.**  
Rancho Cordova City Hall - Council Chambers  
2729 Prospect Park Drive  
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

**Bay Point**

**November 29, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.**  
Ambrose Community Center - Auditorium  
3105 Willow Pass Road  
Bay Point, CA 94565

**Clearlake**

**November 30, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.**  
City of Clearlake Council Chambers  
14050 Olympic Drive  
Clearlake, CA 95422

**Los Osos**

**December 2, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.**  
South Bay Community Center  
2180 Palisades Avenue  
Los Osos, CA 93412

**Carson**

**December 5, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.**  
Carson City Hall Council Chambers  
701 East Carson Street, 2nd floor  
Carson, CA 90745

**Claremont**

**December 6, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.**  
Taylor Reception Hall  
1775 N. Indian Hill Blvd.  
Claremont, CA 91711

**Barstow**

**December 7, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.**

Cora Harper Fitness Center  
841 Barstow Road  
Barstow, CA 92311

**Apple Valley**

**December 8, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.**

Town of Apple Valley Council Chambers  
14955 Dale Evans Parkway  
Apple Valley, CA 92307

Pursuant to Rule 13.1(c), Golden State must prepare draft newspaper notice(s) to Golden State customers in Regions I, II and III and obtain the Public Advisor's Office (PAO) approval of the draft newspaper notice(s). Golden State must publish for ten consecutive days prior to and including the day of the public participation hearing the approved notice(s) in local newspapers of general circulation in each respective service area listed in this ruling, of the time, date, and place of the public participation hearing for that service area. Proof of publication and sample copies of the notices must be filed with the Commission within 10 days after publication.

In addition, Golden State must prepare a draft bill insert notice to Golden State customers in Regions I, II and III and obtain PAO approval of the draft bill insert notice. Golden State must provide the approved notice, via a bill insert providing there is sufficient time to meet the next billing cycle or a separate mailing such as a tri-fold flyer or post card, to customers in each respective service area listed in this ruling, of the time, date, and place of the public participation hearings for that service area. Golden State must provide customer notice via bill insert or separate mailing, such as a tri-fold or post card, not less

than ten nor more than 30 days prior to and including the day of the public participation hearings for the respective service area.

**IT IS RULED** that:

1. There will be public participation hearings addressing Application 11-07-017 on: (1) November 28, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m., at Rancho Cordova City Hall Council Chambers, 2729 Prospect Park Drive, Rancho Cordova, CA; (2) November 29, 2011 at 6:00 p.m., at Ambrose Community Center - Auditorium, 3105 Willow Pass Road, Bay Point, CA; (3) November 30, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m., at City of Clearlake Council Chambers, 14050 Olympic Drive, Clearlake, CA; (4) December 2, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m., at South Bay Community Center, 2180 Palisades Avenue, Los Osos, CA; (5) December 5, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m., at Carson City Hall Council Chambers, 701 East Carson Street, 2nd floor, Carson, CA; (6) December 6, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m., at Taylor Reception Hall, 1775 N. Indian Hill Blvd., Claremont, CA; (7) December 7, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m., at Cora Harper Fitness Center, 841 Barstow Road, Barstow, CA; (8) December 8, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m., at Town of Apple Valley Council Chambers, 14955 Dale Evans Parkway, Apple Valley, CA.

2. Golden State must prepare draft newspaper notice(s) to Golden State customers in Regions I, II and III and obtain the Public Advisor's Office (PAO) approval of the draft newspaper notice(s). Golden State must publish for ten consecutive days prior to and including the day of the public participation hearing the approved notice(s) in local newspapers of general circulation in each respective service area listed in this ruling, of the time, date, and place of the public participation hearing for that service area. Proof of publication and

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Dated October 18, 2011, at San Francisco, California.

          /s/ RICHARD SMITH            
Richard Smith  
Administrative Law Judge